



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In application of:

Ji *et al.*

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For: **Breast Cancer Specific Gene 1**

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**Amendment and Argument
Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated October 23, 2001 (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 22), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks pursuant a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Amendments

In The Claims:

Please cancel claims ~~10~~-12, 14, 15, and 79 without prejudice or disclaimer.